

CLAIMS

We claim:

1. A method comprising:

- 5 (a) deforming a first leaf spring portion integrally formed on a housing within
a cash dispensing automated banking machine, releasing force holding a
stripping member adjacent a rotatable sheet picking member;
- (b) subsequent to (a) moving the stripping member away from the picking
member.

10 2. The method according to claim 1 and further comprising:

- (c) deforming a second leaf spring portion integrally formed on the housing
releasing force holding a carry away member adjacent the picking
member.

3. The method according to claim 2 and further comprising:

(d) subsequent to (c) moving the carry away member away from the picking member.

4. The method according to claim 3 and further comprising:

(e) moving a resilient tab portion integrally formed with the housing, releasing
5 a force holding the picking member in engagement with a drive shaft.

5. The method according to claim 4 and further comprising:

(f) subsequent to (e) disengaging the picking member from engagement with
the drive shaft.

6. The method according to claim 5 and further comprising:

10 (g) subsequent to (e) disengaging the picking member from engagement with
the tab portion.

7. The method according to claim 6 and prior to (a),

(h) rotating the picking member in engagement with a stack of notes;

(i) preventing notes in the stack other than the end note from moving relative to the stack through engagement of notes with the stripping member;

(j) separating the end note bounding a stack of notes responsive to (h) and (i).

8. The method according to claim 7 wherein in (h) the picking member includes a central disk portion which includes a high friction arcuate portion and a projecting surface extending radially outward beyond the high friction arcuate portion and transversely adjacent thereto, wherein in (i) the projecting surface prevents deformation of a leading edge area of the end note due to forces applied by the high friction arcuate portion and the stripping member.

9. The method according to claim 7 wherein (a) includes disengaging the first leaf spring portion from operative engagement with a first shaft, wherein the stripping member is rotatable in supporting connection with the first shaft.

10. The method according to claim 9 wherein (c) includes disengaging the second leaf spring portion from operative engagement with a second shaft, wherein the carry away member is rotatable in supporting connection with the second shaft.

11. The method according to claim 10 wherein the picking member includes a picking shaft,
and wherein (e) includes moving the tab portion outward relative to an axis of rotation of
the picking shaft.
12. The method according to claim 11 wherein (f) includes disengaging an interengaging
5 projection and recess one of which is on the picking shaft and the other of which is on the
drive shaft.
13. The method according to claim 12 wherein (g) comprises removing a cylindrical portion
on the picking shaft from engagement with a bushing supported on the tab portion.
14. The method according to claim 1 and prior to (a), further comprising:
- 10 (c) receiving at least one input from a user through at least one input device
on the automated banking machine;
- (d) rotating the picking member in engagement with the stack of notes in the
machine, wherein rotation of the picking member causes at least one note
to be moved from the stack.
- 15 15. The method according to claim 14 and subsequent to (d) and prior to (a) further
comprising, dispensing the at least one note from the machine to the user.

16. A method comprising:

- (a) deforming a first leaf spring portion integrally formed on a housing within an automated banking machine, wherein deforming the first leaf spring portion is operative to enable a stripping member positioned to be in adjacent relation with a rotatable picking member, which when installed in the machine extends along a picking member axis, to be moved away from the picking member axis;
- (b) subsequent to (a) moving the stripping member relatively away from the picking member axis.

17. The method according to claim 16 and prior to (b),

- (c) operatively disengaging a first shaft in supporting connection with the stripping member, and the first leaf spring portion.

18. The method according to claim 16 wherein during (a) the picking member is installed in supporting connection with the housing, and further comprising:

(c) disengaging the picking member from supporting connection with the housing.

19. The method according to claim 18 wherein (c) includes deforming a tab portion integrally formed on the housing, wherein a picking shaft of the picking member is generally in supporting connection with the tab portion; and disengaging the picking shaft from the tab portion and a drive shaft.

20. The method according to claim 16 and further comprising:

(c) deforming a second leaf spring portion integrally formed on the housing, wherein deforming the second leaf spring portion is operative to enable a carry away member positioned to be in adjacent relation with the picking member to be moved away from the picking member axis.